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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Herschel B. Stover of Oswego, who passed away February 21, 2002; and

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WHEREAS, Mr. Stover was born in 1923 and grew up in Chicago; and

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WHEREAS, Mr. Stover enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps in 1943 and served as a B-25 tail gunner in the Pacific Theater during World War II; and

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WHEREAS, Mr. Stover joined the Aurora Police Department in 1949; in 1956, Mr. Stover became the second Aurora police officer to graduate from the FBI training academy in Washington, D.C., and was the department's only detective for five years after completing his training; and

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WHEREAS, Throughout his career, Mr. Stover worked in nearly every division of the police department, including patrol, investigations, crime prevention, records and communications; he was known as a "policeman's policeman"; Mr. Stover retired from the department as a lieutenant in 1975; and

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WHEREAS, In 1991, Mr. Stover married Norma Wilcox Zentmyer of Oswego; during their time together, they started Stampa Dream, a rubber art stamp business; and

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WHEREAS, Mr. Stover's proudest moment was seeing his only son, David Stover, sworn in as Aurora Police Chief in 1991; he was very proud of his son and the positions he held, going through the ranks, becoming chief and then Mayor of Aurora; and

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WHEREAS, Herschel Stover will be deeply missed by all those who knew him and loved him, especially his wife, Norma;

1 his two children, Constance Stover and Mayor David (Karen)
2 Stover; his numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren;
3 and his many friends; Mr. Stover was preceded in death by his
4 first wife, Jean, who died in 1989; therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SECOND GENERAL
6 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
7 his family and friends, the passing of Herschel B. Stover;
8 and be it further

9 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
10 presented to the family of Herschel B. Stover with our
11 sincere condolences.